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**Downed Animals Protection** 

Dear FDA:

I'm writing to request that you help end the horrific downed animal trade by granting the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals as presented by the Farm Sanctuary Campaign.

It is impossible to humanely move downed animals. They are often left for days without water or food until someone gets a tractor to push them or drag them with a chain.

It is very hard to believe this horrendous treatment of these animals has continued to go on. I think part of the problem is that most of the public has been unaware of the treatment of these animals at the stockyards. Fortunately, thanks to Farm Sanctuary and other animal protection organizations, the word is getting out and people are learning about these cruel, barbaric conditions.

Animals deserve better treatment than this and should be <u>humanely</u> euthanized at stockyards. Please grant this petition for the humane treatment of these animals.

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